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1. An exhaustive search of the files of both the Directorate of Operations and the Office of Security of this Agency, including a manual search of recently initiated security investigations not yet entered into computer systems, disclosed no mention of the name [redacted] or any of its variants. We can therefore assure you that [redacted] has never been a subject of our investigative interest or activities.

2. We assure you also that there is no validity to the assertion that it is the policy of the Agency to remove records from its files and transmit them to other agencies in order to disclaim investigative interest in any individual. When information from files originating or maintained at Headquarters is dispatched to field offices for use in the conduct of local investigations, originals are retained at Headquarters and inquiries into such cases can be and are dealt with at Headquarters. Information of this kind is in any case never routinely given to state or other federal agencies, and responsibility for control of its dissemination and use remains with the Central Intelligence Agency.

HOWARD H. BAKER, JR.
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United States Senate

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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January 16, 1978

Mr. Earl Eisenhower
Minority Staff Director
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Earl:

Enclosed is recently received correspondence which appears to fall within the Committee's purview.

Would you please have the Committee make the appropriate inquiries and correspond directly with Mr. Rutstein.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,


Howard S. Liebengood
Legislative Counsel

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Enclosures

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January 16, 1978

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Dear Mr. Rutstein:

Senator Baker received your letter of December 30 upon his return from Latin America. He asked that I write to thank you for apprising us of your client's dilemma and to advise that he has forwarded your letter to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. That Committee is best equipped to make the appropriate inquiries and I anticipate you will hear from them shortly.

Sincerely,

Howard S. Liebengood
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December 30, 1977

Senator Howard Baker
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Dear Senator Baker:

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STAT She has detailed to me numerous incidents which indicate that she is being investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation or the Central Intelligence Agency. I have received a letter from Director Clarence Kelly of the FBI wherein he states that his files reflect no information concerning [redacted] My understanding is that it is the practice of the FBI and the CIA to remove records from their files and to send said records to the proper state agency, which, in this case, would be New York. Thus, when an inquiry is received by the FBI or the CIA, either agency can truthfully say that it does not have anything in its records concerning the person whom it has been investigating. I know that you, at one time recently, were investigating these agencies, and I would appreciate your letting me know whether this is done.

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concentration is being seriously disrupted by whatever agency is investigating her. I know her well enough to be able to state that these things are actually happening. Please let me know what can be done to stop this activity.

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If you could favor me with an immediate reply, it would
be appreciated

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I certainly appreciate your help in this matter.

With kindest regards,

Very truly yours,

Louis M. Rutstein

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